



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: ) Examiner: Brannock, Michael T.  
Jian ZHANG, et al. ) Art Unit: 1646 ✓  
Application Serial No. 09/728,309 ) Confirmation No. 8694  
Filed: November 30, 2000 ) Attorney's Docket No. 18136-1050  
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to respond to the Final Office Action mailed June 17, 2003, for two (2) months. This petition is filed to maintain copendency for a continuation application being filed today.

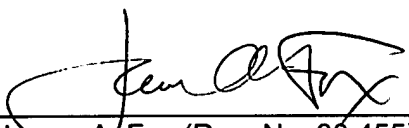
The Commissioner is authorized to charge the amount of \$210.00 for two months of extension fees. Also, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-1641, referencing Attorney's Docket No. 18136-1050.

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Respectfully submitted,

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